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பொதுவானது. அப்படியிருக்கும்போது எதிர்க் கட்சி உப தலைவர் தங்களுக்குத்தான் அதிகமாகச் சலுகை கொடுக்கப்படவேண்டும் என்று சொல்லுகிறார். ஆனால் சட்டசபை அலுவல்களைப் பொறுத்த வரையில் எல்லா அங்கத்தினர்களும் சமம் என்று சட்ட சபை விதிகள் சொல்லுகின்றன. எதிர்க் கட்சி உப தலைவர் சொல்வது விதிக்கு முரண்பாடாக இருக்கிறது. இதைக் கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்கள் அனுமதிக்கிறாரா என்று கேட்கிறேன்."

MR. SPEAKER :—" இங்கு எல்லோரும் சமம்தான்."

Dispute between the workers and the management of the Malabar Spinning and Weaving Mills, Tiruvannoor, Kozhikode.

* 947 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Labour Officer, Malabar, has recommended to the Government to refer the dispute between the workers and the management of the Malabar Spinning and Weaving Mills, Tiruvannoor, Kozhikode, regarding the bonus due from 1948 for adjudication; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Government examined the representation and considered that the request for the grant of bonus for 1948–50 was belated and that the management did not earn sufficient profits during 1951–52 to declare a bonus to the workers. So the dispute was not referred to adjudication, and the Cotton Mill Workers' Union, Kallai, was informed accordingly."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I ask the Hon. Minister for Labour to have the accounts of the company inspected to verify whether there had been profit or not and find out whether the workers' point of view or the management's point of view is correct? If the accounts reveal that there has been profit, will the Hon. Minister for Labour refer the matter to the Adjudication Court and await its judgment?"

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The Labour Department do not invariably inspect the profit and loss accounts of companies. But when the Labour Department itself is satisfied that there was no profit for a company during a particular year, they report it to Government and Government agree with the Labour Commissioner that such matters should not be referred to adjudication. I do not think this matter should be reopened again."

Issue of liquor permits in South Arcot.

* 948 *Q.*—SRI M. JAGANNATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state the total number of liquor permits issued for the years 1951–52 and 1952–53 in the South Arcot district?